Many neighbors of military installations experience, to a greater or lesser extent, the impacts of training noise. Property owners, renters, and lessees need to know whether their property is located within a military noise zone or Accident Potential Zone (APZ). While the installation encourages local government and realtors to provide notification about local installations and related noise, it may be necessary for you to collect your own information.

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- Restrictive Easements—Owners and potential buyers of property near the installation need to conduct a title search to verify any restrictive easements.
- Noise Zones—A map of the noise zones surrounding the installation is available for review at the ______ office. If your property is located in a noise zone, you need to check local zoning ordinance to determine permitted uses. Some uses are permitted with appropriate sound attenuation measures. See the fact sheet titled "How does the DoD assess noise and its impacts?" for more information.
- Accident Potential Zones—Like noise zones, a map of installation APZs is available for review at the ______ office. If your property is located in an APZ, you need to check local zoning ordinance to determine permitted uses. See the fact sheet titled "What are Accident Potential Zones?" for more information.
- Questions concerning easements or the location of a particular property within a noise zone or APZ should be directed to a local planning authority. If you are considering property within a noise zone or APZ, you should also check the eligibility requirements for Federal Housing Administration (FHA) and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) mortgages.

For more information about mortgage requirements, contact:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (800) 842-2610 ext. 3212

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (800) 933-5499

For more information about the Army's noise management program contact:

Operational Noise Program
U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and
Preventive Medicine
MCHB-TS-EON
Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD 21010-5403
410-436-3829
http://chppm-www.apgea.army.mil/dehe/morenoise/

For more information on the Navy's Noise Management Program contact:

Special Assistant for AICUZ and Encroachment Commander Navy Installations Naval Facilities Engineering Command Washington Navy Yard, Washington DC 20374 202-685-9181 For more information on the Air Force's Noise Management Program contact:

AICUZ/Noise Program Manager Bases and Units Branch HQ USAF/ILEPB 1260 Air Force Pentagon Washington, D.C. 20330. 703-604-5277 For more information on the Marine Corp's Noise Management Program contact:

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